

RETAIL UPDATE

Weekly Chain Store Sales

February 19, 2003

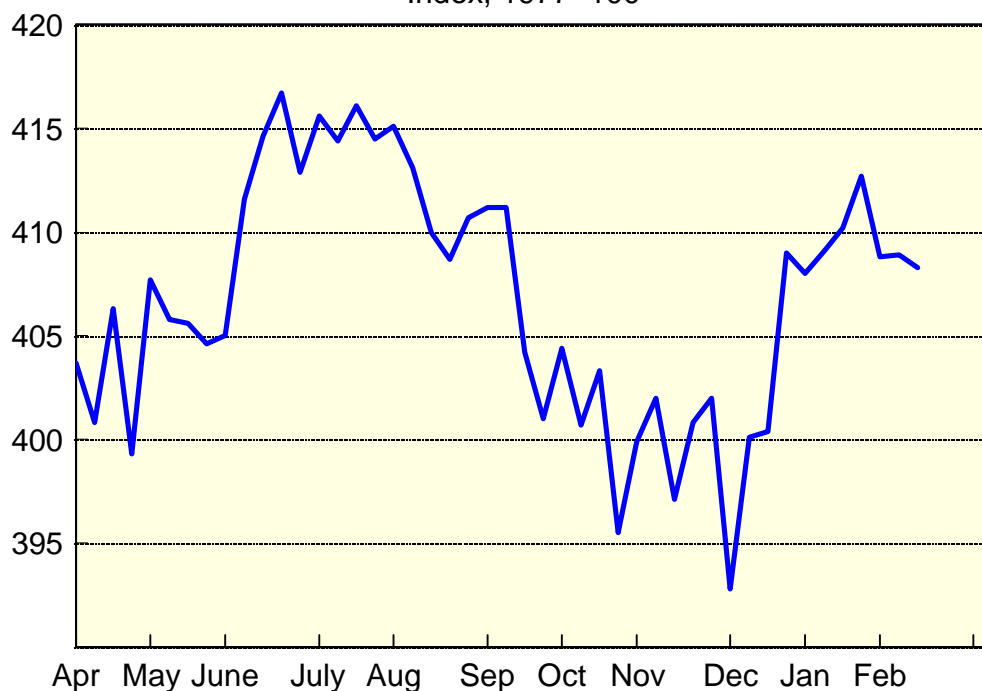
Seasonally adjusted percent change

BTM-UBSW Index of Weekly Chain Store Sales, Same-Store Basis

| | Jan 11 | Jan 18 | Jan 25 | Feb 1 | Feb 8 | Feb 15 |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| From Previous Week | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.6 | -0.9 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| Year-Over-Year | 2.9 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 0.6 | -1.5 |

WEEKLY RETAIL CHAIN STORE SALES

Index, 1977=100



RECENT NEWS

- ▶ *Blizzard Blasts Retailers, Sales Slide* ([Reuters](#))
- ▶ *Stores Aim to Recoup Winter Storm Losses* ([Associated Press](#))

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